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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Special Assistant to the Director

for Planning and Coordination

SUBJECT:

Note Re Meeting with Bureau of the Budget

and State Department on Reimbursement

Practices

- 1. The State Department has officially concurred in the whole report.
- 2. Perry and Hamilton of the Bureau have no objection to the report but did not have the authority to concur -- Macy will have to do that. However, before such concurrence, the Bureau would have to know whether the Pentagon feels it has an interest to the extent of concurrence or comment -- specifically in paragraphs 11 and 13.
- 3. Accordingly we propose to ascertain informally from A2, G2 and ONI whether they wish to concur or comment on paragraph 11, and from Cairns office their views re paragraph 13. We will show only the slightly edited copy of the main report (see attached).
- 4. Thereupon the Bureau should be in a position to officially concur or non-concur in paragraphs 11, 12 and 13. It does not appear at this time, to my disappointment, that they will be willing to concur in the other conclusions or the reasoning in paragraphs 4a and 4b. However, they don't object to them.
- 5. My own explanation for the Bureau of the Budget limited approach is that our paper really conflicts with the general Bureau budgeting policy and their explanation for accepting 11, 12 and 13 is simply that they see no hope for the Department's ability to obtain all the required funds. While we agree with that expectation our paper seeks to present principles which will provide guidance, as well as rationalization, for a situation in the government, namely, intelligence, which is atypical.

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Attachment

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